

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE



**OFFICIAL WARNING**  
**VIOLATION OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS**

**CASE NUMBER:**

TN10041-AC

**VIOLATOR:**

Charles Stivers

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture has evidence that on or about the date(s) listed below, you or your organization committed the following violation(s) of Federal Regulations:

**Date of Violation: September 1, 2009**

**15 U.S.C. § 1824(2)(D)** Allowing the entry of a sore horse.

You allowed "Smoke N Cash," a horse you owned, to be entered into the 71st Annual Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration, while he was sore.

**Date of Violation: September 1, 2009**

**9 C.F.R. § 11.3** Scar rule.

The scar rule applies to all horses born on or after October 1, 1975. Horses subject to this rule that do not meet the ...scar rule criteria shall be considered "sore" and are subject to all prohibitions of section 5 of the Act.

**Date of Violation: September 3, 2009**

**15 U.S.C. § 1824(2)(A)** Showing a sore horse.

You rode "Shock N Y' All" in the 71st Annual Tennessee Walking Horse National Celebration, while he was sore.

**Date of Violation: September 3, 2009**

**9 C.F.R. § 11.3** Scar rule.

The scar rule applies to all horses born on or after October 1, 1975. Horses subject to this rule that do not meet the ...scar rule criteria shall be considered "sore" and are subject to all prohibitions of section 5 of the Act.

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The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) created federal regulations to ensure the welfare of animals and help prevent the spread of animal and plant pests and diseases. Since violations of the regulations can have serious and costly impacts that are detrimental to the public interest, APHIS is providing you with an Official Warning for the violation(s) described above. Any further violation of these federal regulations may result in the assessment of a civil penalty, criminal prosecution, or other sanctions. If you have any questions concerning this Official Warning or violation(s), please contact the APHIS official listed in this notice.

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